

*Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor*

Whereas, Rose Julianna Fleck was born on March 30, 1903, to Christian and Anna Fleck at Selz, North Dakota, where she was raised and educated; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Rose married John Gesinger in Detroit, Michigan, on July 10, 1923, and to that union four children were born, Florence, Doloris, Robert and Lou Ann; and,

Whereas, Rose and John moved to a farm and ranch operation near Ridgeview, South Dakota, in 1928, where they worked and raised their family until their retirement in 1968, when they built a home and moved to Gettysburg, South Dakota; and,

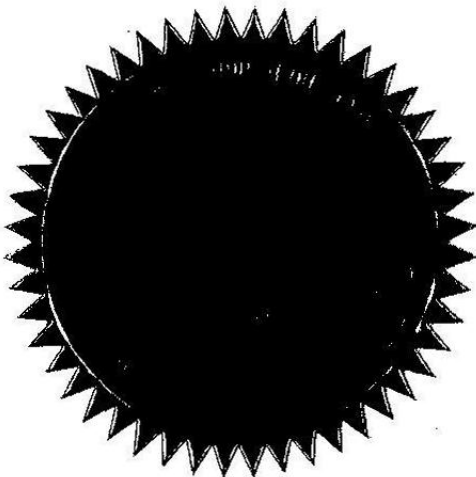
Whereas, Rose now resides at Oahe Manor and continues to maintain an interest in the lives and activities of her children, 15 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Rose will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 30, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and her relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State